## LtCol Jeffrey N. Rule

Lieutenant Colonel Jeffrey N. Rule was born on April 09, 1971 in Haverford, PA. Upon graduation from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Va Tech), Blacksburg, VA in May 1993, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. Following completion of The Basic School, he attended the Infantry Officer's Course and the Light Armored Vehicle SNCO and Officer's course and then executed orders to Company A, 2d Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 2d Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, NC and served as an LAV Platoon Commander. After successfully completing the 2d Force Reconnaissance Company's indoctrination test in July of 1996, he was assigned to 2d Platoon, 2d Force Reconnaissance Company in March of 1996 and deployed with the 22d Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) as the Force Reconnaissance/Direct Action Platoon Commander for the MEU's Maritime Special Purpose Force. Upon the reorganization of Force Reconnaissance and the recreation of 2d Reconnaissance Battalion he served as H&S Company Commander and then the Force Reconnaissance Company Commander from October 1997 to July 1999. He then attended Amphibious Warfare School, Quantico, VA from August 1999 to May 2000. Upon graduation from AWS, he was assigned as the S-3A for the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit during an LF6F deployment from June 2000 to December 2001. In December of 2001, he took command of Company E, 2d Battalion, 8th Marines in Camp Lejeune, NC. After selection to Major, he then served as the Operations Officer and Executive Officer for 2d Reconnaissance Battalion, 2d Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, NC from June 2002 to July 2004. He then attended Command and Staff College and the School of Advanced Warfighting (SAW) from August 2004 to June 2006 graduating with a Master of Military Studies degree and a Master of Operational Studies degree. After graduating SAW, he was assigned to the Strategic Initiatives Group from which he served on the 34th CMC's Confirmation/Transition Team and then filled an Individual Augment billet as a Battalion Military Transition Team leader in Al Anbar Province, Iraq from June 2007 to January 2008. Upon return from his deployment, he was assigned to the Commandant's Staff Group as one of the CMC's project officers/researchers. In June of 2008, he became the Director of the Commandant's Staff Group and was promoted to his current rank on 10 Nov 2008. After completing his tour in the Pentagon, LtCol Rule was assigned to the 2d Marine Expeditionary Brigade and served as the G-3 Current Operations Officer for their year-long deployment in Helmand Province, Afghanistan from Apr 2009 to Apr 2010.

His personal decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3rd Award), Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Navy Achievement Medal, and Combat Action Ribbon.